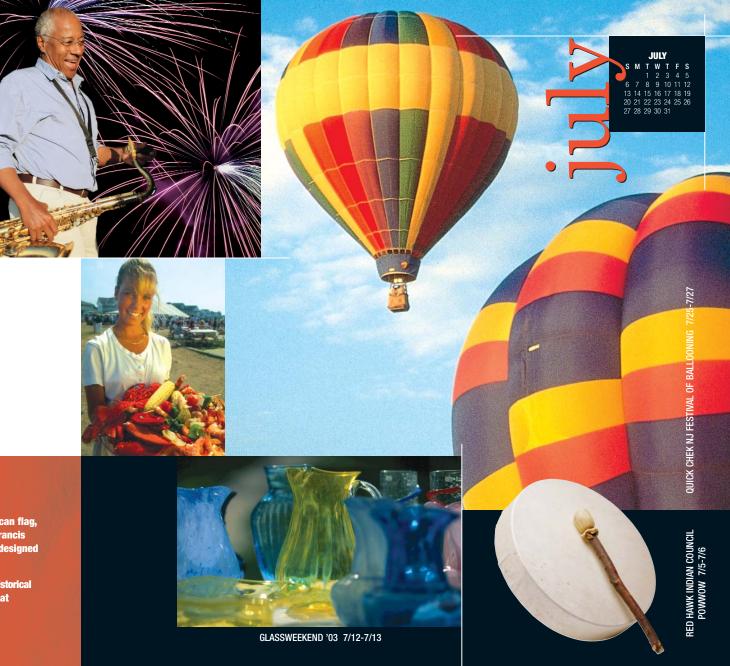
North, south, east or west — July in New Jersey means excitement is close at hand. Mullica Hill in Gloucester County for example, offers the 4-H and Peach Festivals. In Augusta, at the Sussex County Fairgrounds, the Red Hawk Indian Council PowWow will give you a glimpse into days gone by. For a true change of pace, take a trip to the rolling hills of Readington, home of the QuickChek New Jersey Festival of Ballooning. Not to be outdone, Hoboken plays host to the famous St. Ann's Italian Feast.

From Fourth of July parades to county fairs, take your pick of activities to keep your cool this summer. Take a break from the beach to check out the amusements, exhibits and entertainment at the Monmouth and Ocean County fairs. Or beat the heat at the Warren County Farmer's Fair or the Burlington County Farm Fair as well.



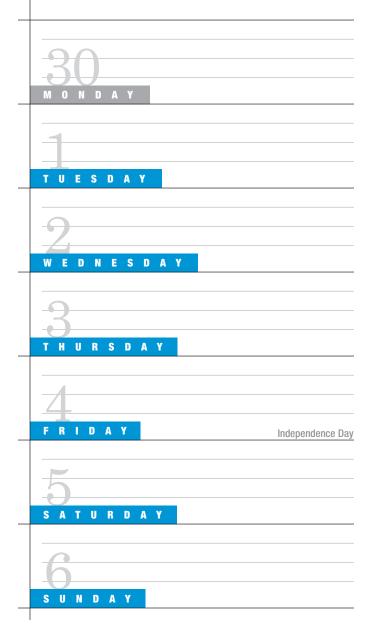
FIRST FLAG

Most people know that Betsy Ross sewed the first American flag, but did you know it was designed by a New Jerseyan? Francis Hopkinson, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, designed the first American flag in 1777.

Today, you can experience history at many of New Jersey's historical sites, from the High Point Monument to the reenactments at Washington Crossing State Park.

For a listing of historical sites around New Jersey, visit www.state.nj.us/dep/forestry.





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OCEAN COUNTY FAIR

7/8-7/13 Robert J. Miller Airpark Berkeley Township

You'll find continuous entertainment. 4-H activities, a petting barn, a carnival, exhibits, childrens' games and competitions.

Off Route 530 (732) 914-9466 www.oceancountygov.com

WOZZECK BY A. BERG

7/8

McCarter Theatre

Princeton

3rd production of the Opera Festival of New Jersey. This performance begins at 7:30 pm. Additional performances will be held on 7/13 at 2 pm and 7/18 at 8 pm.

91 University Place (609) 258-2787 info@operafest.org

KIDS' DAY AT THE PHYSICK ESTATE 7/9

Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts Cape May

The Emlen Physick Estate hosts a day of discovery for kids of all ages. Visit one of the many tents featuring fun activities.

1048 Washington Street (800) 275-4278 www.capemaymac.org

NJ STATE ROWING CHAMPIONSHIP 7/10 **Beaton Boat Yard Brick**

Rowers of all ages will gather to experience the competition, camaraderie and wide array of unique crafts in New Jersey's largest surfboat rowing event.

72 Beaton Road (732) 237-0576 www.vikinapromotions.com

For the best days of your life

DELAWARE BAY LIGHTHOUSE ADVENTURE

Miss Chris Marina

7/11

Cape May

Hop on board the Cape May Whale Watcher. South Jersey's premier ocean vessel, for a fascinating five-hour cruise. The Cape May features 350 feet of rail space so you can clearly see the seven Delaware Bay lighthouses. some visible only from the water. A generous buffet, including shrimp, cheese, fruit trays and finger sandwiches, is provided.

2nd Avenue and Wilson Drive (800) 275-4278 www.capemaymac.org

GREENHEAD FLY FESTIVAL

Tuckerton

Tuckerton Seaport

Show your support of eliminating this pesky little insect by participating in the greenhead fly-trap building competition. Music, food and kids activities. 11 pm to 4 pm.

Route 9 South of Route 539 (609) 296-8868 www.tuckertonseaport.org

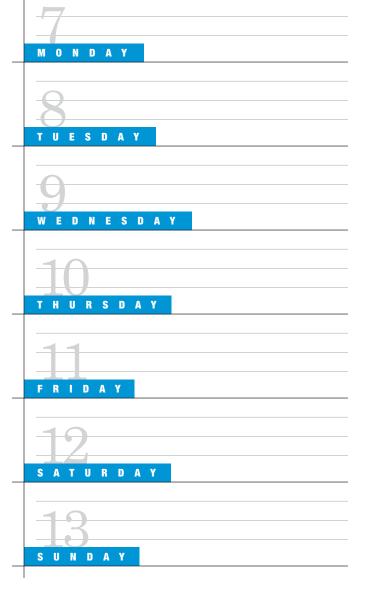
GLASSWEEKEND '03 Wheaton Village

7/12-7/13 Millville

7/12

Glass lovers, make sure you don't miss this international symposium and exhibition of contemporary glass. It's sponsored by the Creative Glass Center of America and the Art Alliance for Contemporary Glass.

1501 Glasstown Road (856) 825-6800 www.wheatonvillage.org



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BURLINGTON COUNTY

FARM FAIR

7/16-7/19

Burlington Co.

Lumberton

Demonstrations, entertainment, exhibits, amusements, food and more!

Hainesport-Lumberton Road (609) 267-2881 www.burlcofarmfair.com

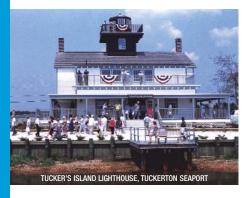
THE PRINCESS WHO **NEVER LAUGHED**

7/16-7/19 0aklvn

The Ritz Theatre

What makes you smile? Maybe it will work on the princess whose sadness made everyone else in the kingdom sad too. Children will come to understand that sometimes the simplest things in life are the most delightful!

915 Whitehorse Pike (856) 858-5230 www.puttinontheritz.org



FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

7/16-8/20

Tuckerton Seaport

Tuckerton

Music lovers, clear your calendar every Wednesday! Performances to be announced.

Route 9 South of Route 539 (609) 296-8868 www.tuckertonseaport.org

35TH ANNUAL HOUSE TOUR

7/18 Ocean Grove

Various Locations

Come and see for yourself the beautiful Victorian homes in Ocean Grove.

(732) 774-1869 www.oceangrovehistory.org

BLUES FESTIVAL

7/19

Tuckerton Seaport

Tuckerton

Celebrate blues music and blue claw crabs.

Route 9 South of Route 539 (609) 296-8868 www.tuckertonseaport.org

ST. ANN'S ITALIAN FEAST

7/20-7/26

St. Ann's Church

Hoboken

Celebrating 93 years of tradition, the feast features international foods, rides, games, crafts and nightly entertainment. Weekdays: 6 pm to 11 pm; Saturday and Sunday: Noon to midnight. Entertainment starts at 8 pm.

7th and Jefferson Streets (201) 659-1114 www.st-annchurch.com





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MONMOUTH COUNTY FAIR 7/23-7/27 East Freehold Park Showgrounds Freehold

The 29th annual fair features 4-H exhibits. amusements, entertainment, fireworks, home and garden competitions and food.

Kozloski Road (732) 842-4000 www.monmouthcountyparks.com

4-H AND PEACH FESTIVALS 7/24-7/27

Gloucester County 4-H Fair Grounds

Mullica Hill

The festival showcases the work of children involved in 4-H in Gloucester County for the entire year. Fair includes craft vendors: educational exhibits; daily horse, hog, sheep and dog shows; Civil War reenactments; entertainment and food. Peach Festival includes peach contest, bake-off, sales, food editors' tour and selection of NJ Peach Queen.

Route 77 (856) 307-6450 www.gloucestercnty4-hassoc.com





CAPE MAY COUNTY OFFSHORE CLASSIC

7/24-7/27 Cape May

The 41st annual offshore classic is open to fishing boats and their crews to compete for the largest catch and other prize categories.

Ocean waters off Cape May (609) 463-6415 or (800) 227-2297 www.thejerseycape.org

OUICKCHEK NJ FESTIVAL OF BALLOONING

7/25-7/27 Readington

This celebration of the magic of ballooning is family-oriented. Features big-name concerts, entertainment for kids, 125 hot air balloons and much more!

Solberg Airport-Readington Thor Solberg Road (800) HOT AIR 9 www.balloonfestival.com

NIGHT IN VENICE

7/26 Ocean City

On the Bay

One of the largest boat parades in the world! It stretches from the foot of the Longport

(609) 525-9300 www.njoceancity.com

MIDSUMMER ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES

Wheaton Village

7/26-7/27 Millville

More than 80 dealers from the Mid-Atlantic states display a variety of quality items! Indoor show with food and refreshments.

Bridge to Tennessee Avenue on the Bay.

1501 Glasstown Road (856) 825-6800 www.wheatonvillage.org

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WARREN COUNTY **FARMER'S FAIR**

7/28-8/2

Warren County Fairgrounds

Phillipsburg

Talk about choices! This fair combines the 66th annual old-time agricultural fair, the 3rd annual Hot Air Balloon Festival and the 6th annual Traditional Arts Expo. Enjoy music, food, rides, livestock contests and tractor pulls.

Route 519 Harmony Township (908) 859-6563 www.warrencountyfarmersfair.org

FREEHOLD KRUISE NITE

7/31 Freehold

A crowd-pleasing seasonal showcasing of antique and classic cars, hot rods and motorcycles lining the streets of downtown Freehold. Includes oldies music and entertainment.

Along Main Street (732) 462-3584 or (732) 946-2711 www.freeholdcenter.com



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